



THE GROVE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Wednesday 28th January

SHOUT OUTS TO

Dove Tree Class, Esme, Happiness, for doing all of her rainbow learning challenges with a smile. Romilly, Learning, trying really hard with her writing, always with a positive attitude.

Lilac Tree Class, Evelyn and Viktoriia, Happiness, being amazing partners on the school trip, setting a great example for everyone!

Lime Tree Class, Delilah, learning, so enthusiastic about your learning and contributing to class discussions. Sati, Love, always such a kind and caring member of the class.

Willow Tree Class, Winnie, Love, such a kind and caring member of the class. Theo, Learning, working so hard in all subjects, well done!

Mountain Ash Tree Class, Casper, Happiness, growing in confidence each day, showing us his amazing maths ability. Meadow, Love, kind and considerate with enthusiasm towards her learning.

Juniper Tree Class, Denis, Learning, connecting his geography knowledge to his art work. Amy, Happiness, no matter how hard you find the work, you always have a smile on your face!

Flame Tree Class, Ben and Elliot, Learning, for believing in yourself, super focus with your maths – reach for those stars!

Ginkgo Tree Class, Lorelei, Learning, dedication to your learning, always so focused in every lesson. Noah, Happiness, for being a great friend, you are so kind and thoughtful to those around you.

Trumpet Tree Class, Ada, Love – a fun, kind, loving individual, we love having you in Trumpet. Jacob G, Learning, for his wonderful descriptive writing of a dragon.

Don't have time to read all the newsletter?

Here are the essentials in summary:

- ☺ Reminder that school opens at 8.45 am and gates close at 8.50 am
- ☺ Playground help – Sunday 1st March
- ☺ Potential role in school
- ☺ Please check your child(ren) for headlice

More info on all these below or ask at the front desk



PLAYGROUND HELP - SUNDAY 1st MARCH from 10am

Are you free and up for volunteering to help transform our playground? There is so much that has already been done and also so much more left to do!

Jobs will range from painting, constructing a sandpit, re-inventing our roof terrace and more. The PTA are going to put on food to help keep spirits high and entice you to join in!

If you are free and able to help, please email me so that we know numbers (let me know if you are vegetarian or have any other food requirements too).

helenf@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk

THANK YOU



Potential role in school

We are seeking interest in anyone keen to know more about working within the internal alternative provision (The Oak Room) we are trialling in school. Training will be provided but anyone interested would need patience, be compassionate and calm when working with children with neurodiversity and special needs. Please email me at head@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk

Head Lice

A reminder to please check your child(ren) for head lice.

Head lice can make your head feel itchy.

The only way to be sure someone has head lice is by finding live lice.

You can do this by combing their hair with a special fine-toothed comb (detection comb). You can buy these online or at pharmacies.

How to get rid of head lice

Treat head lice as soon as you spot them. You can treat head lice without seeing a GP.

Check everyone you live with, or have close contact with, and start treating anyone who has head lice on the same day.

There's no need to keep your child off school if they have head lice. You do not need to wash your laundry on a hot wash.

Wet combing

Lice and nits can be removed by wet combing.

You can buy a special fine-toothed comb (detection comb) online or from pharmacies to remove head lice and nits.

There may be instructions on the pack, but usually you:

- wash hair with ordinary shampoo
- apply lots of conditioner (any conditioner will do)
- comb the whole head of hair, using the detection comb, from the roots to the ends

It usually takes about 10 minutes to comb short hair, and 20 to 30 minutes for long, frizzy or curly hair. When you've finished combing the hair, comb through all the hair again for a second time.

Do wet combing on days 1, 5, 9 and 13 to catch any newly hatched head lice. Check again that everyone's hair is free of lice on day 17.

Medicated lotions and sprays

If wet combing has not worked or is not suitable, you could try a medicated lotion or spray. These kill head lice in all types of hair, and you can buy them from pharmacies, supermarkets or online.



Holiday Club – 16th – 20th February

We're delighted to share that our holiday club will be running during the February half term. To secure your child's place, we encourage you to book in advance as spaces are limited.

<https://kalscope.co.uk/product/totnes-february-half-term-holiday-club-at-the-grove-school/>

PTA NEWS

Please put these dates in your diary and watch this space for further information!



PTA dates for your diary

Wednesday 4th February – Deadline for Disco payment

Friday 6th February – Disco

Wednesday 11th February – Mother's Day order forms sent home

Monday 23rd February – Pre loved World Book Day costumes go on sale

Wednesday 25th February – Final day for Mother's Day orders to be in

Friday 6th March:

- World Book Day
- Reading café 2pm-4:30pm
- Easter Hamper tickets

Friday 13th March – Mother's Day gifts home

Friday 20th March – Easter disco

Friday 27th March – Bingo night

Thursday 2nd April:

- Easter bonnet/hat competition
- Easter hamper raffle
- Mufti £1 donation

Remember - if you are up for helping with any event, please let us know by emailing jennir@the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk

Disco – Friday 6th February

Letters have been sent home. You can pay by ParentPay, card or cash.

Deadline is next Wednesday 4th Feb – so we know numbers for refreshments.



If you can help – especially with Acorns, Yr1/2 disco please let Jenni know. Thank you.



Cake Sale

Cake sales will resume after half term. The first will be Flame Tree class on Friday 27th February.



The Grove School PTA Facebook Page

The Grove School PTA Facebook Page will also keep you up to date on events - e.g. discos, fundraisers, bake sales etc.



Dates for your diary this term <http://www.the-grove-primary.devon.sch.uk/web/calendar/256154>

Trumpet tree planting @ Sharpham – Thursday 29th January Please sign up on ParentPay
Gingko tree planting @ Sharpham – **Changed** to Friday 30th January Please sign up on ParentPay
Flame tree planting @ Sharpham – **Changed** to Friday 13th March Please sign up on ParentPay
Last day of term – Friday 13th February
First day back – Monday 23rd February

Kind regards,

Hilary Priest

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